

Top Natural Attractions 2006

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1	Grand Canyon National Park	4,400,000	4,470,232	P.O. Box #129	Grand Canyon 86023	928-638-7888	www.nps.gov/grca/	\$25 per vehicle	Open all year, North Rim closed in winter.	One of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World, 2 billion years of geological history etched on the canyon walls
2	Saguaro National Park	3,140,393	3,629,550	3693 S. Old Spanish Trail	Tucson 85730	520-733-5100	www.nps.gov/sagu	\$10 per vehicle; \$5 per bicycle/walk-ins at both districts	Visitor Centers open daily 9am-5pm, closed Christmas Day; park scenic drives open daily 7am - sunset.	Preservation of scenic Sonoran Desert flora & fauna and associated mountains, elevation changes from 3,000 to 8,600 feet above sea level.
3	South Mountain Park	2,308,975	2,500,000	10919 S. Central Ave.	Phoenix 85042	602-495-0222	www.phoenix.gov/parks	None	Daily 5:00am - 11:00 pm.	With more than 16,000 acres of pristine lower Sonoran Desert with miles of trails, South Mountain Park is often referred to as the largest municipal park in the world.
4	Glen Canyon National Recreation Area	1,904,350	1,928,274	691 Scenic View Drive	Page 86040	928-608-6200	www.nps.gov/glca	7-day entrance fee is now \$15/vehicles. Annual pass is \$30/vehicle.	Year-round	National park area on AZ/UT border containing Lake Powell and Rainbow Bridge Natl. Monument. Lake Powell is 186 miles long with 1,900+ miles of shoreline.
5	Lake Mead National Recreation Area*	1,814,732	1,426,915	601 Nevada Way	Boulder City, NV 89005	702-293-8990	www.nps.gov/lame	Entrance fee \$5-8 day pass, annual fee \$20, lake use fee \$10-5 day pass or \$20 annually	Park always open. Visitors center open daily 8:30am - 4:30 pm, closed Dec. 25th, Thanksgiving, and New Years.	Two man-made lakes, surrounded by nearly 1,000 miles of shoreline at full pool, provides a rec. outlet for million of visitors to boat, fish, swim, ski, sail, hike or camp.
6	Canyon de Chelly National Monument	826,630	900,000	3 miles East of Junction 191 on Navajo Route #7	Navajo Nation	928-674-5500	www.nps.gov/cach	Free	Open Daily 8am - 5pm, closed December 25th.	Ruins of ancient Anasazi Indian villages, home to Navajo Indians, sheer red sandstone walls, great birding, large watershed restoration project underway, canyon bottom farming and grazing.
7	Lake Pleasant Regional Park	610,161	500,754	15 miles West of I-17 on Carefree Highway		602-372-7460	www.maricopa.gov/parks/lake_pleasant/	Park entrance fee is \$5.00 per vehicle and \$2.00 per watercraft. Additional fees are required for individual and group campsites.	Year Round, 24-hours a day.	Lake Pleasant Regional Park offers camping, boating, fishing, swimming and picnicking along with various group activities, special events and educational programs.
8	Montezuma Castle National Monument	598,182	622,912	P.O. Box #219	Camp Verde 86322	928-567-3322	www.nps.gov/moca	\$5 per adult, free admission for 15 and younger	Daily 8am - 5pm, 8am - 6pm Memorial Day to Labor Day, closed December 25th.	800 yr. old, five-story, 20 room cliff dwelling overlooks Beaver Creek as it stands 100 ft above floor of Verde Valley.
9	Petrified Forest National Park	581,801	598,498	P. O. Box #2217	Petrified Forest 86028	928-524-6228	www.nps.gov/pefo	\$10 per car	Daily 8am - 5pm, extended summer hours, closed Dec. 25th.	A land of spectacular scenery where a 225 million year old forest has turned into stone.
10	Lake Havasu State Park	347,704	316,684	1801 Highway 95 Lake Havasu City 86406	Lake Havasu City, 86403	928-855-9394	www.azstateparks.com	Day use: \$9 per vehicle (1-4 adults), Nightly camping: \$14-\$25	Ranger station - sunrise to 10:00PM, Visitors can self-pay if they arrive outside of business hours.	With 45 miles of scenic shoreline, it's an ideal place to enjoy beautiful beaches, nature trails, boat ramps, and convenient campsites.
11	Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument	313,103	308,832	10 Organ Pipe Dr.	Ajo 85321	520-387-6849	www.nps.gov/orpi	Entrance fees \$8/vehicle, including motorcycles, 7days, \$4 single walk-in or bicyclist. Camping fee \$12 per night.	Visitor Center open daily 8am-5pm. Closed on major federal holidays April thru December. Open every day January-March.	Geographic heart of the Sonoran Desert, home to 28 species of cacti, lush desert vegetation and spectacular mountain scenery. Hiking, camping, driving tours available.
12	Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park	275,707	303,277	4 miles E. Hwy 163 AZ/UT Stateline	Monument Valley 84536	435-727-5874		\$5 per person over 10 years old	May - Sept 6am -9pm, Oct - April 8am - 5pm.	Mammoth monoliths and rock spires located deep within the Navajo reservation.

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13	Wupatki National Monument	242,980	226,010	40 miles north of Flagstaff on US 89	Outside of Flagstaff	928-679-2365	www.nps.gov/wupa/	\$5 per person, under 16 free	Daily 9am - 5pm, closed Dec. 25th.	Six prominent architectural sites, pueblo dwellings built by ancestral Puebloan groups (Cohonina, Sinagua, and Kayenta-Anasazi).
14	Meteor Crater	230,000	221,378	35 miles east of Flagstaff on Interstate 40	Outside of Flagstaff	928-289-5898	www.meteorcrater.com	\$15 adults, \$13 seniors, \$7 children ages 6-17, 5 and under free	Memorial Day to Labor Day 7am to 7pm, rest of the year 8am to 5pm, closed Dec. 25th.	Giant, 550 foot deep meteorite crater created 50,000 yrs ago, interactive learning center.
15	Slide Rock State Park	225,680	243,489	6871 W HWY 89A	Sedona, 86336	928-282-3034	www.azstateparks.com	\$8.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults); Friday before Memorial Day through the Tuesday after Labor Day - \$10.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults)	Spring/fall 8am - 6pm summer 8am - 7pm, winter 8am - 5pm.	Natural rock waterslide in Oak Creek, Historic Pendley Homestead, apple orchard, hiking along creek and Hospital Canyon, and picnicking.
16	Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument	221,406	229,913	18 miles north of downtown	Flagstaff, on U.S. 89	928-526-0502	www.nps.gov/sucr	\$5 per person 16 yrs. and older.	Visitor center open 9am - 5 pm. Hours may be extended in summer. Closed Dec. 25.	Arizona's most recent volcano, a cindercone. Walk the 1 mile Lava Flow Trail to view the volcanic field and formations.
18	Patagonia Lake State Park	180,608	184,715	400 Patagonia Lake Road	Patagonia 85624	520-287-6965	www.azstateparks.com	\$7.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults); Holidays and weekends Friday before Memorial Day through the Tuesday after Labor Day - \$8.00; Camping \$12.00-\$25.00	8:00AM-10:00PM - access is closed 10:00PM to 4:00AM	This 2.5 mile long lake is filled with bass, crappie, bluegill, & catfish and offers water-skiing (restrictions), camping, boat rentals, picnicking, hiking and birding.
19	Tohono Chul Park	167,536	175,238	7366 N. Paseo del Norte	Tucson 85704	520-742-6455	www.tohonochulpark.org	\$5.00 Adults, \$4 Seniors (62+), \$3 students with valid ID, \$2 children (5-12) Free for members and children under 5	8am to 5pm	Enjoy the serenity and beauty of nature trails and garden walks, the diversity of art and cultural exhibits, educational programs, dining and shopping. Top 22 Secret Gardens in US and Canada by National Geographic Traveler. An Arizona State Treasure.
20	Colossal Cave Mountain Park	160,000	155,000	16721 East Old Spanish Trail	Vail, 85641	520-647-7275	www.colossalcave.com	For Cave Tours:\$8.50 adults, \$5.00 children plus \$5.00 per car park admission	Open every day, hours vary seasonally.	Beautiful 2,400 acre desert park, on the National Historic Register, showcasing crystal-filled Colossal Cave and historic La Posta Quemada Ranch, tours, museums, trail rides.
21	Kartchner Caverns State Park	157,417	179,129	2980 Route South 90 Benson 85602	Nine miles south of I-10, off State Hwy 90, exit 302	520-586-4100 Cave Reservations: 520-586-2283	www.azstateparks.com	Day use fees apply. Cave Tour Tickets Rotunda/Throne Room: ages 0-6 free, 7-13 \$9.95, 14 & up \$18.95. Big Room: ages 0-6 not permitted, 7-13 yr \$12.95, 14 & up \$22.95.	Open daily from 7:30am to 6pm, tour reservations recommended, call for ticket information.	World class pristine cave, Visitors center with interactive displays, video and gift shop, outside are hiking trails and campground.
22	Catalina State Park	143,901	130,088	11570 N. Oracle Road	Tucson, 85737	520-628-5798	www.azstateparks.com	Wed after Labor day through Thursday before Memorial Day-\$6.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults); Friday before Memorial Day through the Tuesday after Labor Day - \$3.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults)	Day use 5:00AM to 10:00PM; Visitor Center open 8:00AM to 5:00PM	Catalina State Park, at the base of Mt. Lemmon and the Santa Catalina Mountains, enjoy camping under the desert skies, hiking through canyons and streams, picnicking, and bird watching.
23	Walnut Canyon National Monument	120,820	128,275	Walnut Canyon rd. #3	Flagstaff 86004	928-526-3367	www.nps.gov/waca	\$5 per person, age 16 and older	Monument is open 9am to 5pm. Hours may be extended in summer. Closed Dec. 25.	800+ year old cliff dwellings within the steep walls and deep gorge of Walnut Canyon.

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24	Sabino Canyon Recreation Area**	116,551	594,278	5700 N. Sabino Canyon Rd.	Tucson 85750	520-749-8700	www.fs.fed.us/rs/ coronado	\$5, Annual Pass: \$20 also honored at Madera Canyon rec. area & Cave Creek in the Chiricahua Mountains.	Daily 8:30am - 4:30pm, except Dec. 25th and Thanksgiving.	National Forest Recreation Area includes a variety of hiking trails, interpretive walks for visitors and school groups and scenic shuttle set amidst canyon studded with saguaro cacti "forest," and Sabino Creek.
25	Tuzigoot National Monument	115,452	108,830	P.O. Box #219	Camp Verde 86322	928-634-5564	www.nps.gov/tuzi	\$5 per adult, free admission for 15 and younger	Daily 8am-5pm, 8am-6pm Memorial Day to Labor Day, closed Dec. 25th.	Remnant of a prehistoric Sinagua village built between 1125 & 1400 crowns the summit of a ridge that rises 120 feet above the Verde Valley.
26	Dead Horse Ranch State Park	107,230	91,174	675 Dead Horse Ranch Rd.	Cottonwood, 86326	928-634-5283	www.azstateparks.com	\$6.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults)	365 days per year; Contact station: 8:00AM-5:00PM	Located in the town of Cottonwood, this is the only state park in the Verde Valley where visitors can enjoy camping, fishing, hiking, equestrian activities, the lush riparian habitat, and abundant wildlife.
27	Cattail Cove State Park	96,021	99,309	P.O. 1990	Lake Havasu City, 86405	928-855-1223	www.azstateparks.com	\$9.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults)	Open 365 days per year. Contact station: Sun-Thurs 8:00AM-4:00PM, Fri-Sat 8:00AM-9:00PM, Self-pay available for after business hours	The park offers a lakeside campground, a large boat ramp, and many boat-access campsites along the shores of Lake Havasu. Sail on the blue waters into quiet coves, or water or jet ski out on the open lake.
28	Tonto Natural Bridge State Park	94,298	88,597	10 miles north of Payson, Hwy 87	Payson, 85547	928-476-4202	www.azstateparks.com	Ages 0-13 - free, Ages 14-16 - \$3.00	Memorial Day-Labor Day 8:00AM-7:00PM; April, Sept, Oct - 8:00AM - 6:00PM; Nov-Mar 9:00AM- 5:00PM	View from atop or hike underneath the world's largest natural travertine bridge. Tour the historic lodge located in the grassy meadow above the bridge, picnic among the pines in the tiny valley.
29	Casa Grande Ruins National Monument	90,455	97,214	1100 Ruins Drive	Coolidge 85228	520-723-3172	www.nps.gov/cagr	Over 15 yrs old \$5 per person, over 62 yrs old w/ Golden Age Passport entrance is free	Daily 8am - 5pm except Thanksgiving and Christmas Day.	Pre-historic Native American village and Great House built 1100-1350 A.D. by early farmers, archaeologist now call the Hohokam.
30	Buckskin Mountain State Park	88,234	86,587	5476 Hwy 95	Parker, 85344	928-667-3231	www.azstateparks.com	\$8.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults)	Ranger station - 8:00AM to 4:30PM; self-pay station for visitors who arrive at other times	The area is a popular location for boating, fishing, jet skiing, swimming, and camping amidst a backdrop of beautiful mountains. Visitors can also hike to the beautiful panoramic overlooks.
31	Red Rock State Park	78,175	74,532	4050 Red Rock Loop Rd.	Sedona, 86336	928-282-6907	www.azstateparks.com	\$6.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults)	Oct-Mar 8:00AM-5:00PM, Apr 8:00AM-6:00PM, May- Aug 8:00AM-8:00PM, Visitor Center: Sept-Apr 9:00AM-5:00PM, May-Aug 9:00AM-6:00AM	The park is surrounded by the natural beauty of Sedona's red rocks as Oak Creek meanders through the park and provides visitors the opportunity to experience a lush riparian habitat, an interactive education center, and a 5-mile network of trails.
32	Lost Dutchman State Park	78,107	91,198	6109 N. Apache Trail	Apache Junction, 85219	480-982-4485	www.azstateparks.com	\$5.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults) Friday before Memorial Day through the Tuesday after Labor Day - \$3.00 per vehicle	Contact station: 8:00AM- 5:00PM, Self-pay option available for visitors who arrive outside of business hours	Several trails lead from the park into the rugged Superstition Mountains. From the campground and picnic areas you can admire the scenic beauty by day and the lights of Phoenix by night.
33	Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site	77,099	100,257	P.O. Box #150	Ganado 86505	928-755-3475	www.nps.gov/hutr	Charge for tour of the Hubbell Home. Regular tour, \$2.00 per person, Golden Age \$1.00, children under 17 years old are free.	Open daily 8am - 5pm from Oct - May and 8am - 6pm from May - Oct, closed Dec. 25th. The park observes Daylight Savings Time, March - Nov, so they are one hour ahead of AZ time.	Oldest active trading post on Navajo Nation, weaving demonstrations, tours of Hubbell home, Native American art auctions in the Spring and Fall.

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34	Navajo National Monument	68,600	N/A	9 miles north of AZ Highway 564/HC 71, Box 3	Tonalea 86044	928-672-2700	www.nps.gov.nava	No fee for entrance, tours or camping	Daily 8am - 5pm, Except Dec. 25th, Thanksgiving, and New Years Day.	Features the largest cliff dwellings in Arizona, museum, visitor center, campground, picnic area, short trails, gift shop, and bookstore. Arts and crafts demonstrators during the summer. Tours of cliff dwellings is seasonal, and requires a 5 mile hike.
35	Boyce Thompson Arboretum State Park	59,358	85,000	#37615 U.S.Hwy. 60	Superior 85273	520-689-2811	http://arboretum.ag.arizona.edu	\$7.50 adults, \$3 children ages 5-12	Admission daily from 8am-5pm. Summer hours: May-Aug 31st 6 am – 3 pm (closed Dec. 25).	320-acre collection of plants from deserts around the world, traversed by two miles of walking paths. Visitor center, picnic area, leashed and well-behaved pets are welcome.
36	Picacho Peak State Park	58,347	107,649	I-10, Exit 219	Picacho, 75241	520-466-3183	www.azstateparks.com	\$6.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults): Friday before Memorial Day-Tuesday after Labor Day - \$3.00 per vehicle	8:00AM-10:00PM	Prominent Picacho Peak State Park defines the desert skyline. Trails wind up the peak and often, in the spring, overlook a sea of wildflowers. An annual Civil War re-enactment is held to commemorate the most significant battle in Arizona.
37	Yuma Territorial Prison State Historic Park	56,721	56,570	100 N. Prison Hill Rd.	Yuma, 85364	928-783-4771	www.azstateparks.com	Ages 0-13 free; Ages 14 & up \$4.00	8:00AM-5:00PM. Closed at 2:00PM on Thanksgiving Day & Christmas Eve. Closed on Christmas Day	Visitors can walk through the actual strap iron cells and solitary chamber of the Arizona Territory's first prison. Visit the museum to see photographs and colorful exhibits.
38	The Nature Conservatory's Ramsey Canyon Preserve	17,500	26,996	70 Miles Southeast of Tucson	Exit #302 of I-10	520-378-2785	www.nature.org/arizona	\$5.00 per person, Cochise County residents and TNC members \$3.00	March - October: 8am to 5pm, Nov. - Feb: 9am to 4pm. Closed Tue and Wed for Nov. – Jan.	Renowned for its diversity of it's plant and animal life, including 14 species of hummingbirds, hiking trails.

*Lake Mead NRA visitation counts refer to recreation visits to the park by Arizona park access points.

**2005 attendance includes visitors to Coronado National Forest. 2006 attendance is only visitation to Sabino Canyon Recreation Area